



Attorney Docket No. AKC-21500, 21600, 21700

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, GUIDANT CORPORATION, a corporation of the State of Indiana, 111 Monument Circle, 29th Floor, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNOR", is the assignee of all rights, title, and interest in the below-identified U.S. Patent and applications for United States Letters Patent:

Title of Invention: DEVICE TO PERMIT OFFPUMP BEATING HEART CORONARY BYPASS SURGERY

Filing Date: September 17, 1997 U.S. Application No.: 08/936,184;

Title of Invention: DEVICE TO PERMIT OFFPUMP BEATING HEART CORONARY BYPASS SURGERY

Filing Date: May 29, 1998 U.S. Application No.: 09/087,511; and

Title of Invention: DEVICE TO PERMIT OFFPUMP BEATING HEART CORONARY BYPASS SURGERY

Filing Date: July 2, 1998 U.S. Application No.: 09/109,924, and

in the inventions described and set forth therein, and in any Letters Patent which may be granted on the same in the United States and all countries throughout the world;

WHEREAS, Origin Medsystems, Inc., a corporation of the State of Delaware, 1525 O'Brien Drive, Menlo Park, California 94025, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE", is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in said inventions, U.S. Patent, and applications and in any Letters Patent which may be granted on the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that, for One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Assignor, Assignor has sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents does sell, assign and transfer unto the said Assignee, and Assignee's successors and assigns, all right, title and interest in and to said inventions, said U.S. Patent and said applications for United States Letters Patent, and any Letters Patent which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States and all countries throughout the world including any divisions, renewals, continuations in whole or in part, substitutions, conversions, reissues, prolongations or extensions thereof, said interest to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by said Assignor had this assignment and transfer not been made, to the full end and term of any such Letters Patent.

The undersigned has reviewed all documents in the chain of title of the applications (and U.S. Patent) identified above, and certifies that, to the best of undersigned's knowledge and belief, title (immediately prior to execution of the present assignment) is in the Assignor identified above.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, an authorized officer of Assignor has executed this assignment on behalf of Assignor the date indicated below.

GUIDANT CORPORATION

Date: 30 Sept 99

By: [Signature]

CB Name: [Signature]

Title: Secretary, CVS Group