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SELF LOCKING FIXABLE INTERVERTEBRAL IMPLANT
TITLE OF INVENTION

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APPLICANT(S)

M/S: Assignments (fee)
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1. PASQUET, Denis
2. LE COUEDIC, Regis
3. SENEGAS, Jacques

c. Title of invention: SELF LOCKING FIXABLE INTERVERTEBRAL IMPLANT

NAME OF PARTY(IES) CONVEYING INTEREST (37 C.F.R. § 3.31(a)(1))

2. The parties conveying this interest are:
 1. PASQUET, Denis of Pessac, France
 2. LE COUEDIC, Regis of Bordeaux, France
 3. SENEGAS, Jacques of Merignac, France

**NAME AND ADDRESS OF PARTY(IES) RECEIVING INTEREST
(37 C.F.R. § 3.31(a)(2))**

3. The rights are being conveyed to:

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**DESCRIPTION OF INTEREST CONVEYED OR TRANSACTION RECORDED
(37 C.F.R. § 3.31(a)(3))**

4. The accompanying document intends to accomplish an assignment.

**NAME AND ADDRESS OF PARTY TO WHOM CORRESPONDENCE
SHOULD BE MAILED (37 C.F.R. § 3.31(a)(5))**

5. Please address correspondence to:

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DATE ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) EXECUTED (37 C.F.R. § 3.31(a)(7))

6. The attached assignment was executed by PASQUET, Denis; LE COUEDIC, Regis, and SENEGAS, Jacques on September 5, 2003.

LANGUAGE OF ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) TO BE RECORDED

7. The attached document: is in the English language.

ORIGINAL DOCUMENT OR TRUE COPY SUBMITTED

8. Submitted herewith is: the original document.

**NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THIS COVER SHEET
AND THE FEE (37 C.F.R. § 3.31(a)(6))**

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STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. § 3.31(a)(9)) AND SIGNATURE (37 C.F.R. § 3.31(a)(10))

10. 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.

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PATENT

For: U.S. Rights
For: PCT Application
By: Inventors

ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION

In consideration of the payment by ASSIGNEE to ASSIGNORS of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration,

ASSIGNORS:

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and the successors, assigns and legal representatives of the ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest for the United States and its territorial possessions in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the invention entitled:

SELF LOCKING FIXABLE INTERVERTEBRAL IMPLANT

and which is found in (37 C.F.R. Section 3.21) International application no. PCT/FR02/00888 filed on March 13, 2002 and, in and to, all Letters Patent to be obtained for said invention by the above application or any continuation, division, renewal, or substitute thereof, and as to letters patent any reissue or re-examination thereof.

ASSIGNORS hereby covenant that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment.

ASSIGNORS further covenant that ASSIGNEE will, upon its request, be provided promptly with all pertinent facts and documents relating to said invention and said Letters Patent and legal equivalents as may be known and accessible to ASSIGNORS and will testify as to the same in any interference, litigation or proceeding related thereto and will promptly execute and deliver to ASSIGNEE or its legal representatives any and all papers, instruments or affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain, issue and enforce said application, said invention and said Letters Patent and said equivalents thereof which may be necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes thereof.

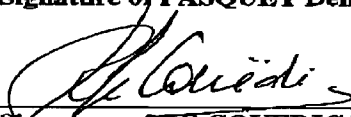
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set hand and seal this 5th day of September, 2003

Date: 5 - SEP. 2003



Signature of PASQUET Denis

Date: 5 - SEP. 2003



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