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WHEREAS, BERNARD JACQUETIN, a citizen of France, residing at 20 rue Valentin Vigneron, Clermont-Ferrand 63100, France (hereinafter called "Assignor"), has made certain new and useful inventions or discoveries relating to a METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TREATING PELVIC ORGAN PROLAPSES IN FEMALE PATIENTS, for which a U.S. patent application was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on February 28, 2003 as U.S. Application Serial No. 10/377,260 and for which an international (PCT) patent application was filed on February 28, 2003 as International Application No. PCT/IB03/01231; and

WHEREAS, ETHICON, INC., a corporation formed under the laws of the State of New Jersey, having a place of business at U.S. Route 22 West, Somerville, New Jersey 08876 (hereinafter called "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring Assignor's entire right, title, and interest therein:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar and other valuable considerations to him moving, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor has sold, assigned, and transferred, and does hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee his entire right, title and interest in and to all said inventions and discoveries disclosed in said applications, and in and to said applications, all substitutions, divisions, continuations and continuations-in-part thereof, and in and to all Letters Patent, United States and foreign, that may be granted for said inventions and discoveries, and in and to all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof, the same to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor if this Assignment and sale had not been made;

And Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner for Patents of the United States to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignor covenants and agrees with said Assignee that he has a full and unencumbered title to the inventions and discoveries above described and hereby assigned, which title he warrants unto said Assignee, its successors and assigns, and Assignor expressly warrants and represents that a) he owns a right, title and interest in and to said applications; b) no licenses or sublicenses have been granted under said patent applications; c) he has no outstanding encumbrances or agreements, including any agreements with academic institutions, universities, or third party employers, whether written, oral or implied, which would be inconsistent with the assignment granted herein; and d) he is unaware of any information that would raise a substantial question of validity of said applications;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignor further covenants and agrees that he will, whenever requested, but without cost to him promptly communicate to said Assignee or its representatives any facts known to him relating to said inventions and discoveries, testify in any interference or legal proceedings involving said inventions and discoveries, and execute any additional papers that may be necessary to enable said Assignee or its representatives, successors,

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nominees, or assigns to secure full and complete protection for the said inventions and discoveries or that may be necessary to vest in said Assignee the complete title to the said inventions and discoveries and patents hereby conveyed and to enable it to record said title.

18th IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this day of August, 2004.



BERNARD JACQUETIN

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