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Dear Sir:

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3. Nature of conveyance

- Assignment
- Merger
- Other

- Security Interest
- Change of name

4. Application number(s) or Patent number(s)

This application is being filed together with a new application; the execution date of the new application is: May 25, 2004

- Patent application No.(s)
- Patent No.(s)

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5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence should be mailed:

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6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1

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## ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION

WHEREAS, We, Hans-Peter Foser residing at Stotz 15, FL-9496 Balzers, Liechtenstein, and Eugen Gassner residing at Lawenastrasse 36, FL-9495 Triesen, Liechtenstein have invented certain new and useful improvements in DENTAL CONNECTING APPARATUS for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America was executed on the date which appears next to our signatures, and

WHEREAS, Ivoclar Vivadent AG, a corporation of the state of Liechtenstein, having a place of business at Bendererstr. 2, FL-9494 Schaan, Liechtenstein, is desirous of acquiring the entire right title and interest in and to the invention, the application, and any Letters Patent(s) which may be granted therefor in the United States of America;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which we each hereby acknowledge, we each hereby assign, sell and transfer to said Ivoclar Vivadent AG, and Ivoclar Vivadent AG's successors and assigns, all of our rights, title and interest in and to the said invention and application and all future improvements thereon, and in and to any Letters Patent which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States, the said interest to be held and enjoyed by Ivoclar Vivadent AG as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by Hans-Peter Foser and Eugen Gassner had this assignment and transfer not been made, to the full end and term of any Letters Patent which may be granted thereon, or of any division, renewal, continuation in whole or in part, substitution, conversion, reissue, prolongation or extension thereof.

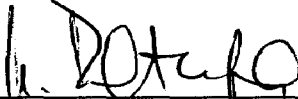
WE, Hans-Peter Foser and Eugen Gassner further agree that we will, without charge to Ivoclar Vivadent AG, but at Ivoclar Vivadent AG's expense, cooperate with Ivoclar Vivadent AG in the prosecution of said application and/or applications, execute, verify, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for Letters Patent and for the reissue thereof, and instruments of assignment and transfer thereof, and will perform such other acts as Ivoclar Vivadent AG lawfully may request, to obtain or maintain Letters Patent for said invention and improvement, and to vest title thereto in said Ivoclar Vivadent AG, or Ivoclar Vivadent AG's successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Hans-Peter Foser has signed on the date indicated.

Signed this 25th day of May, 2004


  
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Hans-Peter Foser

Hans-Peter Foser, being known to me, and known to me to be the person described in the foregoing instrument, signed before me on the above date.


  
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(Witness)

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Eugen Gassner has signed on the date indicated.

Signed this 25th day of May, 2004

  
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Eugen Gassner

Eugen Gassner, being known to me, and known to me to be the person described in the foregoing instrument, signed before me on the above date.

  
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