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<p>5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:</p> <p>Philip S. Johnson, Esq. Chief Patent Counsel Johnson & Johnson One Johnson & Johnson Plaza New Brunswick, NJ 08933-7003</p>	<p>6. Total number of applications & patents involved: <u>1</u></p> <p>7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) <u>\$40.00</u></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Authorized to be charged to Deposit Account</p> <p>8. Deposit Account Number: 10-0750/ETH1654/BEL</p>
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WHEREAS, Jörg Priewe, Birgit Hartkop, Barbara Schuldt-Hempe, Christoph Walther and Jörg Holste residing at Sophienblatt 71 a, D-24114 Kiel Germany; Groten Graben 5, D-23919 Berkenthin, Germany; Rosenstrasse 23, D-24576 Bad Bramstedt, Germany; Dorfstr. 35, D-24568 Kattendorf, Germany; and Steindamm 38, D-22844 Norderstedt, Germany; respectively (hereinafter called "Assignors"), have made certain new and useful inventions or discoveries relating to

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for which they have on the day of , 200 executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ethicon GmbH, a corporation of Germany, (hereinafter called "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring Assignors' 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 them moving, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignors have sold, assigned, and transferred, and do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee their entire right, title and interest in and to all said inventions and discoveries disclosed in said application whose identification above by serial number and filing date, when available is hereby authorized, and in and to said application, all substitutions, divisions, and continuations 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 Assignors if this Assignment and sale had not been made;

And Assignors hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignors covenant and agree with said Assignee that he has a full and

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unencumbered title to the inventions and discoveries above described and hereby assigned, which title they warrant unto said Assignee, its successors and assigns;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignors further covenant and agree that they will, whenever requested, but without cost to them promptly communicate to said Assignee or its representatives any facts known to them 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, 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.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignors have hereunto set their hands and seals this day of , 2004

Jörg Priewe (L.S.)
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Birgit Hartkop (L.S.)

Barbara Schuldt-Hempe (L.S.)

Christoph Walther (L.S.)

Jörg Holste (L.S.)

STATE OF)
) ss.
COUNTY OF)

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this day of , 200 , before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Jörg Priewe, Birgit Hartkop, Barbara Schuldt-Hempe, Christoph Walther and Jörg Holste who I am satisfied are the persons named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to them the contents thereof, they did

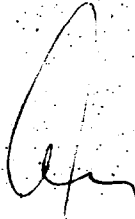
acknowledge that they signed, sealed, and delivered the same as their voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

Notary Public

No. 157 UR for 2004

I, Dr. Wolf Stähr, Notary Public in the City of Kiel (Schleswig-Holstein) West-Germany,
hereby certify, that the signature as stated overleaf is executed in my presence by Mr. Dr.
Jörg Priewe, identified by Identity Card and residing in the city of D 24114 Kiel, Sophienblatt
71 a, WestGermany.

Kiel, 28th of April 2004


Notary Public

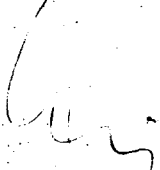
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Dr. Jörg Holste
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I, Hans-Peter Schmidt, Notary Public in D-22846 Norderstedt, Rathausallee 31, Germany, hereby certify that the signatures in front are the true signatures, subscribed in my presence of:

- Mrs. Birgit Harkop;
residing at: Groten Graben 5, D-23919 Berkenthin,
identified by German-Identity-Card-No. 1046120569
- Mrs. Barbara Schult-Hempe
residing at: Rosenstraße 23, D-24576 Bad Bramstedt
and personally known to me
- Mr. Christoph Walther
residing at: Dorfstraße 35, D-24568 Kattendorf
and personally known to me
- Dr. Jörg-Ludwig Holste
residing at: Steindamm 38, D-22844 Norderstedt
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Mrs. Birgit Harkop, Mrs. Barbara Schult-Hempe, Mr. Christoph Walther and Dr. Jörg-Ludwig Holste denied the question of the notary to § 3 I No. 7 of the German Certification Law – Beurkundungsgesetz (BeurkG) –.

The notary public authenticated the signatures at: Ethicon-Building, Robert-Koch-Straße 1, D-22851 Norderstedt, where the notary had gone on requests.

Norderstedt, the 3rd day of May, 2004


Notary Public

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