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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Andrea Trucco of via Val D'Astico 13/11, 16100 Genova, Italy; and Daniele Cecchini of via Cellini 9/17, 16100 Genova, Italy; and Luca Di Resta of via Aurofino, 12, 84128 Salerno, Italy, hereinafter referred to as Assignor, has made a new and useful invention in **Method for ultrasonic detection and localization of contrast agent microbubbles and method for local drug administration by using microbubble carriers** for which Assignor has made or will make application for Letters Patent of the United States; and

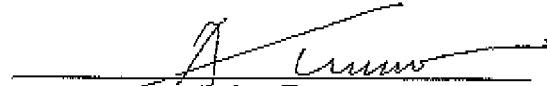
WHEREAS, ESAOTE S.p.A., hereinafter referred to as Assignee, a corporation of Italy, having a principal place of business at viale Bianca Maria 25, 20122 Milano, Italy, desires to acquire all of the entire right, title, and interest in, to and under said Invention disclosed, described and/or claimed, or intended so to be in said application, and in, to and under said application, and in, to and under any and all Letters Patent, United States and foreign, which may be obtained therefor and thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, To All Whom It May Concern, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good, valuable and sufficient considerations to Assignor in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor has sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents does sell, assign and transfer unto Assignee, all of the entire right, title and interest in, to and under said invention disclosed, described and claimed or intended so to be in said application, and in, to and under said application for United States Letters Patent executed by Assignor this 18 day of April, 2006, and any and all other applications thereon and arising therefrom, including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and any and all patents to be issued and obtained therefor and thereon, United States and foreign, including all reissues and extensions thereof..

Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the firm of Woodard, Emhardt, Moriarty, McNett, & Henry LLP of Bank One Center/Tower, 111 Monument Circle, Suite 3700, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-5137 to insert here in parentheses (Serial No. 11/404,271 Filed April 14, 2006) the date and serial number of said application when officially known, and Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the Honorable Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to Assignee, its assigns and legal representatives.

Assignor agrees to sign and execute any and all other papers necessary or desirable for the procurement of Letters Patent on said Inventions in this and all foreign countries for the use of Assignee.

WITNESS Assignor's hand this 18 day of April, 2005.



Andrea Trucco

WITNESS Assignor's hand this 18 day of April, 2005.



Daniele Cecchini

WITNESS Assignor's hand this 18 day of April, 2005.



Luca Di Resta