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### ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS,

**Randolf VON OEPEN**, citizen of Germany, and whose post office address is 1400 Fairway Drive, Los Altos Hills, California 94024;

**Axel GRANDT**, citizen of Germany, and whose post office address is Saegeweg 2/1, 72479 Strassberg, Germany; and

**Thomas RIETH**, a citizen of Germany, and whose post office address is Alexandersrasse 28, 72145 Hirrlingen, Germany.

(hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNORS"), as joint inventors have invented a new invention for "**CATHETER HAVING OVERLAPPING STIFFENING MEMBERS**," for which an application for United States Letters Patent and as identified by Attorney Docket No. 003168.0409; which

- ☐ is being filed concurrently with the recordation of this Assignment.  
☒ was filed on **May 23, 2006** as Application No. **11/439,810**.

WHEREAS, **ABBOTT LABORATORIES**, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the **State of Illinois**, having its principal place of business at **100 Abbott Park Road, Abbott Park, Illinois 60064-6008**, (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of obtaining our entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention and the said application:

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNORS have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under said invention and said United States provisional application or said application for United States Letters Patent, as the case may be, and said invention in all applications claiming priority thereto or converted therefrom, and all divisions, renewals, continuations and continuations-in-part thereof,

and all Patents of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues, reexaminations and extensions thereof; and all applications for industrial property protection, including, without limitation, all applications for patents, utility models, and designs which may hereafter be filed for said invention in any country or countries other than the United States, together with the right to file such applications and the right to claim for the same the priority rights derived from said United States application under the Patent Laws of the United States, the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, or any other international agreement or the domestic laws of the country in which any such application is filed, as may be applicable; and all forms of industrial property protection, including, without limitation, patents, utility models, inventors' certificates and designs which may be granted for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof;

ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents or other evidence or forms of industrial property protection on applications as aforesaid, to issue the same to ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument;

ASSIGNORS hereby covenant and agree that ASSIGNORS have full right to convey the entire right, title and interest herein assigned, that such right, title and interest is unencumbered, and that ASSIGNORS have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith;

ASSIGNORS further agree to execute any and all powers of attorney, applications, assignments, declarations, affidavits and any other papers in connection therewith necessary to perfect such rights, title and interest in ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns;

ASSIGNORS further covenant and agree that ASSIGNORS will communicate to ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing, reissue, reexamination, foreign applications or other such Letters Patent, make all rightful oaths, and generally do everything possible to aid ASSIGNEE or, its successors, legal

representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in all countries;

ASSIGNORS hereby authorize ASSIGNEE's patent attorney to complete this form by the addition of the application number, application filing date, and attorney docket number, if necessary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 5<sup>th</sup> day of

September, 2006.

R. von Oepen  
Randolf VON OEPEN

BE IT KNOWN, that on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006, before me personally came Randolf VON OEPEN, to me known and known to me to be the person mentioned in and who executed the foregoing assignment, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free act and deed for the use and purposes therein mentioned.

R. N. Syll  
Witness

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of

\_\_\_\_\_, 2006.

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Axel GRANDT

BE IT KNOWN, that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2006, before me personally came Axel GRANDT, to me known and known to me to be the person mentioned in and who executed the foregoing assignment, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free act and deed for the use and purposes therein mentioned.

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Witness

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of

\_\_\_\_\_, 2006.

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Randolf VON OEPEN

BE IT KNOWN, that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2006, before me personally came Randolf VON OEPEN, to me known and known to me to be the person mentioned in and who executed the foregoing assignment, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free act and deed for the use and purposes therein mentioned.


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Witness

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 4<sup>th</sup> day of

August, 2006.

  
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Axel GRANDT

BE IT KNOWN, that on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2006, before me personally came Axel GRANDT, to me known and known to me to be the person mentioned in and who executed the foregoing assignment, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free act and deed for the use and purposes therein mentioned.

  
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Witness

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 4<sup>th</sup> day of

August, 2006.

Thomas Rieth  
Thomas RIETH

BE IT KNOWN, that on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2006, before me personally came Thomas RIETH, to me known and known to me to be the person mentioned in and who executed the foregoing assignment, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free act and deed for the use and purposes therein mentioned.

Frank Frost  
Witness