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Whereas, We, Keiichiro Shomi of Kobe, Hyogo, Japan, hereinafter called assignor(s), have invented certain improvements in SAMPLE PREPARATION KIT, SAMPLE PREPARATION CONTAINER, AND SAMPLE PROCESSING DEVICE; and

Whereas, SYSMEX CORPORATION of 1-5-1 Wakinohama-Kaigandoori, Chuo-ku, Kobe-shi, Hyogo 651-0073 Japan (assignee), desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in the application and invention, and to any United States patents to be obtained therefor;

Now therefore, for valuable consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged,

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I/We hereby authorize and request our attorneys SUGHRUE MION, PLLC of 2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20037-3213 to insert here in parentheses (Application number \_\_\_\_\_ and Confirmation number \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_) the application number and filing date of said application when known.

Date:

September 14, 2006

Keiichiro Shomi  
s/ Keiichiro Shomi