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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, **Silvio AIME** citizen of ITALY; **Matteo GALLI** citizen of ITALY; **Luciano LATTUADA** citizen of ITALY; **Pierfrancesco MOROSINI** citizen of ITALY; **Fulvio UGGERI**, citizen of ITALY; and **Kondareddiar RAMALINGAM** citizen of UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (hereinafter referred to as the "ASSIGNORS"), have invented a certain improvement in **CONTRAST AGENTS ENDOWED WITH HIGH RELAXIVITY** described in a U.S. Non-Provisional Patent Application, the specification of which:

☒ is about to be filed in the United States Patent Office;

☐ was filed on _____ as Non-Provisional Application No. _____;

☒ was filed on 28 June 2005 as International Application NO. PCT/EP2005/006956

WHEREAS, we, **Silvio AIME**, **Matteo GALLI**, **Luciano LATTUADA**, **Pierfrancesco MOROSINI**, **Fulvio UGGERI**, and **Kondareddiar RAMALINGAM** hereby authorize and request our attorney, M. Caragh Noone, of Bracco Research USA Inc., 305 College Road East, Princeton, NJ 08540, to insert here:

☒ Application number 11/630,600, filed December 20, 2006

the filing date and application number of said application when known:

WHEREAS, **Bracco IMAGING S.P.A.** (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE"), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the **Country of Italy**, and having its principle place of business at Via Egidio Folli 50, 20134 Milan, Italy desires to acquire an interest therein in accordance with agreements duly entered into with us;



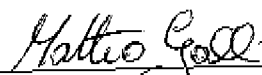

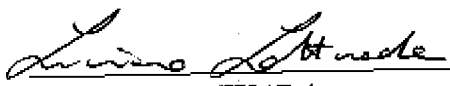

NOW, THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern be it known that for and in consideration of said agreements and of other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold, assigned and transferred and by these presents do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, our entire right, title and interest in and throughout the United States of America, its territories and all foreign countries, in and to said invention as described in said Non-Provisional application, together with our entire right, title and interest in and to said Non-Provisional application and such Letters Patent as may issue on said invention; said invention, application and Letters Patent to be held and enjoyed by said ASSIGNEE for its own use and behalf and for its successors, assigns and legal representatives, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us had this assignment and sale

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not been made; we hereby convey all rights arising under or pursuant to any and all international agreements, treaties or laws relating to the protection of industrial property by filing any such applications for Letters Patent. We hereby acknowledge that this assignment, being of our entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, carries with it the right in ASSIGNEE to apply for and obtain from competent authorities in all countries of the world any and all Letters Patent by attorneys and agents of ASSIGNEE's selection and the right to procure the grant of all such Letters Patent to ASSIGNEE for its own name as assignee of the entire right, title and interest therein;

AND, we hereby further agree for ourselves and our executors and administrators to execute upon request any other lawful documents and likewise to perform any other lawful acts which may be deemed necessary to secure fully the aforesaid invention to said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, but at its or their expense and charges, including the execution of applications for patents in foreign countries, and the execution of any nonprovisional applications including substitution, reissue, divisional or continuation applications and preliminary or other statements and the giving of testimony in any interference or other proceeding in which said invention or any application or patent directed thereto may be involved;

AND, we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States to issue such Letters Patent as shall be granted upon said invention to said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives.

Inventor(s)	Date	
<u></u> Silvio AIME	<u>12/01, 2006</u>	
	<u>12/01, 2006</u>	<u></u> witness
<u></u> Matteo GALLI	<u>12/18, 2006</u>	
	<u>12/18, 2006</u>	<u></u> witness
<u></u> Luciano LATTUADA	<u>Dec. 21, 2006</u>	
	<u>12/21, 2006</u>	<u></u> witness

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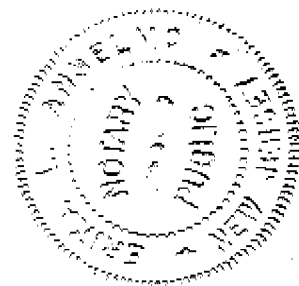
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ss.:

On this 18th day of January, 2007, before me appeared **Kondareddiar RAMALINGAM** to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn did say that he/she is the ASSIGNOR named in the foregoing instrument of Assignment and he signed this instrument of Assignment in my presence.

Erika L. Anselmo, 2007
Notary Public

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For: CONTRAST AGENTS ENDOWED WITH HIGH RELAXIVITY

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I hereby certify that the following correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop: Assignment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO (571) 273-0140, on the date indicated below:

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3. executed Assignments; 3pg

Date: January 23, 2007Signature: 

Pamela J. Gewirtz

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REQUEST FOR RECORDATION OF ASSIGNMENT

Sir:

Applicant is submitting an executed assignment (3 pgs.) and a recordation cover sheet (1 pg.) on behalf of assignors: *Silvio Aime, Matteo Galli, Luciano Lattuada, Pierfrancesco Morosini, Fulvio Uggeri and Kondareddiar Ramalingam* to assignee: Bracco Imaging S.P.A. via facsimile.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the recording fee(s) of \$40.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.21(h), and/or any additional fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 50-2168.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 23, 2007

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