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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ASSIGNMENT

The below named inventor(s) has (have) invented certain new and useful improvements in

MEASURING DEVICE FOR OPTICAL AND SPECTROSCOPIC EXAMINATION OF A SAMPLE

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which claims priority of foreign application no. DE 10 2007 007 040.5 filed in Germany on 07 February 2007 and which each inventor has duly executed on the date(s) indicated below next to each inventor's name and for which the inventor(s) is (are) about to make an Application for a patent of the United States based on the Invention.

Certain inventors of the above referenced Invention and Application, **Dr. Georg Kormann and Rico Priesnitz**, were or are employed by a German subsidiary of Deere & Company under the terms of German law. Under German law on employee inventions, **Dr. George Kormann and Rick Priesnitz**, acknowledge that Deere & Company properly laid claim on the Invention and became the owner of all of their title, right and interest in the Invention and Application by operation of law or a separate document.

Other inventors of the above referenced Invention and Application, **Nico Correns and Michael Rode**, were or are employed by Carl Zeiss Jena GmbH, Carl-Zeiss-Promenade 10, 07743 Jena, Germany under the terms of German law. Under German law on employee inventions, **Nico Correns and Michael Rode**, acknowledge that Carl Zeiss Jena GmbH properly laid claim on the invention and became the owner of all their title, rights, and interest in the Invention and Application by operation of law or a separate document.

Under a separate agreement dated 13 August 2007 between Deere & Company and Carl Zeiss Jena GmbH, Carl Zeiss Jena GmbH and Deere & Company acknowledge that they have assigned an undivided one-half interest of all rights received from the above inventors to each other, such that Carl Zeiss Jena GmbH and Deere are joint assignees and joint owners of the Invention and Application only for purposes of any patent rights within the European Patent Convention and the U.S. However, under the separate agreement dated 13 August 2007 between Deere & Company and Carl Zeiss Jena GmbH, Carl Zeiss Jena GmbH and Deere & Company acknowledge that Carl Zeiss Jena GmbH has assigned all title, right and interest received from **Nico Correns and Michael Rode** in the above Invention and Application for only Canada and Australia such that Deere is the sole assignee and sole owner of all title, right and interest in the Invention and Application for purposes of any patent rights within Australia and Canada.

Consistent with the foregoing, the assigned rights to the assignee(s) include all rights to file U.S. and foreign patent applications for the Invention described in the name of each inventor or in the names of the above assignee(s), as well as any right of priority to any letters patent of the United States or any other country that may be granted for the Invention, and any continuations, divisions or extensions thereof. These assigned rights are to be held and enjoyed by the assignee(s), and the successors or assigns of the assignee(s).

Each inventor and each assignee agrees to execute all papers which the other assignee, its successors or assigns deem expedient in connection with the Application and any continuing, divisional, reissue, reexamination or foreign applications concerning the Invention, and to cooperate with the other assignee, its successors or assigns in every proper way possible to obtain patent(s) based on the Application and any continuing, divisional, reissue, reexamination or foreign applications concerning the Invention.

Each inventor and each assignee hereby authorize and assent to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any patent based on the above assigned rights.

In witness whereof, each inventor and a duly authorized representative of Carl Zeiss Jena GmbH signed below:

~~Dr. Georg Aloys Ludwig Umm~~ Date signed 01/30/2008 at URBANDALE IA
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Sworn to before me this 30th day of January, 2008.

Melanie Weber
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By signing below we acknowledge that this Acknowledgement of Assignment accurately states the ownership interests of Deere and Company and Carl Zeiss Jena GmbH in the above referenced Invention and Application, including all foreign and domestic patent rights therein.

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