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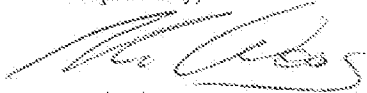
Via Federal Express

Dilip Kumar Sengupta, M.D.  
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Dear Dr. Sengupta:

Enclosed, please find an executed Assignment for U.S. Patent Application Number 20060240533 and all related patent applications for your records. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (512) 533-1945 or by email at Michael.woods@abbottspine.com.

Respectfully,



Michael Woods  
Patent Counsel  
Abbott Laboratories



## ASSIGNMENT

Whereas We, Abbott Spine, Inc., a Delaware corporation, having a place of business at 5301 Riata Park Court, Building F, Austin, Texas 78727 own all right, title, and interest to,

"An Assembly for the Stabilisation of Vertebral Bodies of the Spine"

(hereinafter referred to as "Invention") described in a U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 20060240533, having U.S. Serial No. 10/480,986, the specification of which has a filing date of June 6, 2005, and which is related to International Patent Application Number PCT/GB02/02709.

Whereas all right, title, and interest to International Patent Application No. PCT/GB02/02709 was previously provided from Dr. Dilip K. Sengupta and Dr. Robert C. Mulholland to Spinal Concepts, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, having a principal office of 12012 Technology Blvd., Suite 100, Austin Texas 78727.

Whereas Spinal Concepts, Inc. acquired all right title and interest to International Patent Application Number PCT/GB02/02709, including all Intellectual Property related thereto, from Dr. Dilip K. Sengupta and Dr. Robert C. Mulholland through a document entitled, "Product Development and Assignment Agreement," which had an effective date of October 1, 2002.

And, whereas we desire to assign a 100% undivided interest in said Invention, said application disclosing the Invention, including U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 20060240533, having U.S. Serial No. 10/480,986, International Patent Application Number PCT/GB02/02709, all patent applications listed in the attached Appendix, and all related domestic and foreign patent applications, any Letters Patent which may be granted therefore, and the right to apply for patent applications domestically and in foreign countries on technology related to the Invention, to Dilip Kumar Sengupta, having a residence of 1 Ledge Road, Hanover, NH 03755, and Dr. Robert C. Mulholland, having a residence of 39 Private Road, Sherwood, Nottingham NG5 4DD, united Kingdom (hereinafter, collectively referred to as "Assignees"), whereas Assignees are desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in the same;

Now, this indenture witnesseth, that for the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00), and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged;

We hereby assign, sell and transfer a 100% undivided interest in said invention, said applications, including any divisions, continuations, and continuations-in-part thereof, and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States, and countries foreign thereto, which may be granted for said Invention, and in and to any and all priority rights, Convention rights, and other benefits accruing or to accrue to me with respect to the filing of applications for patents or securing of patents in the United States and countries foreign thereto, unto said Assignees;

And we hereby authorize and request the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office to issue said United States Letters Patent to said Assignee, as assignee of the whole right, title and interest thereto;

And we further agree to execute all necessary and lawful future documents, including assignments in favor of Assignee, or his designees as Assignee or his Assignees may from time-to-time present to us in order to perfect title in said Invention, modifications, and improvements in said Invention, applications and Letters Patent of the United States and countries foreign thereto;

And we further agree to sign and properly execute such necessary and lawful papers for application for foreign patents, for filing divisions, continuations and continuations-in-part of said application for patent, and/or, for obtaining any reissue or reissues of any Letters Patent that may be granted for our aforesaid Invention, as the Assignees thereof shall hereafter require and prepare at their own expense.

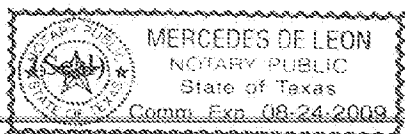
Executed this 1 day of May, in the year 2008

at \_\_\_\_\_

State of Texas

County of Travis

Before me personally appeared Scott Schaffner, who acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be a free act and deed and also represented that he is authorized to execute the same this 1 day of May, in the year 2008.



Mercedes de Leon  
Notary Public

Executed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year \_\_\_\_\_

at \_\_\_\_\_

State of \_\_\_\_\_

County of \_\_\_\_\_

Before me personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_ who acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be a free act and deed and also represented that he is authorized to execute the same this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year \_\_\_\_\_.

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Notary Public

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Notary Public

# Appendix

COUNTRY	SERIAL NO.	PATENT TITLE
U.S.	10/480,986	An Assembly for the Stabilization of Vertebral Bodies of the Spine
PCT	PCT/GB02/02709	An Assembly for the Stabilization of Vertebral Bodies of the Spine
AUSTRALIA	2002310625	An Assembly for the Stabilization of Vertebral Bodies of the Spine
CANADA	2450933	An Assembly for the Stabilization of Vertebral Bodies of the Spine
GERMANY	60202289.4	An Assembly for the Stabilization of Vertebral Bodies of the Spine
GREAT BRITAIN	0114783.4	An Assembly for the Stabilization of Vertebral Bodies of the Spine
EUROPE	1399078	An Assembly for the Stabilization of Vertebral Bodies of the Spine
FRANCE	1399078	An Assembly for the Stabilization of Vertebral Bodies of the Spine
ITALY	1399078	An Assembly for the Stabilization of Vertebral Bodies of the Spine
JAPAN	2003-504848	An Assembly for the Stabilization of Vertebral Bodies of the Spine
SPAIN	1399078	An Assembly for the Stabilization of Vertebral Bodies of the Spine