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## ASSIGNMENT

For valuable consideration, I, Paul Alexander Torrie, 8 Bowden Street, Marblehead, Massachusetts 01945, hereby assign to SMITH & NEPHEW, INC., a corporation of Delaware, having a place of business at 1450 Brooks Road, Memphis, TN 38116, and its successors and assigns (collectively hereinafter called "the Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in the inventions and improvements which are subject of an application for United States Patent signed by me, entitled Method and Device For Suture Thread Retrieval, filed 02/14/2011, and assigned U.S. Serial Number 13/027,003, and I authorize and request the attorneys appointed in said application to hereafter complete this assignment by inserting above the filing date and serial number of said application when known, this assignment including said application, any and all United States and foreign patents, utility models, and design registrations granted for any of said inventions or improvements, and the right to claim priority based on the filing date of said application under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the European Patent Convention, and all other treaties of like purposes; and we authorize the Assignee to apply in all countries in our name or in its own name for patents, utility models, design registrations and like rights of exclusion and for inventors' certificates for said inventions and improvements; and we agree for ourselves and our respective heirs, legal representatives and assigns, without further compensation to perform such lawful acts and to sign such further applications, assignments, Preliminary Statements and other lawful documents as the Assignee may reasonably request to effectuate fully this assignment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and seal at ANDOVER MA on this  
2<sup>nd</sup> day of MARCH, 2011.

Paul Alexander Torrie, L.S.  
Paul Alexander Torrie

STATE OF MASS. )  
COUNTY OF ESSEX ) SS.

On MARCH 2, 2011, before me, the undersigned, a notary public for the State  
of MASS., there personally appeared Paul Alexander Torrie, personally known to me  
(or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to  
this Assignment, who acknowledged having executed the same in his authorized capacity and that  
by his signature on this Assignment, the person or the entity upon behalf of which he acted,  
executed this Assignment.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Marie P. Concemi  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires:

[Notary Seal Here]

