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WHEREAS, We, Michael S.H. Chu, Greg R. Furnish and William C. Mers Kelly have invented one or more inventions described in an application (or provisional application) for Letters Patent of the United States entitled:

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to be fi	⊠ led in th	Attorney Docket No. <u>BSC-258</u> , and/or executed by us on even date herewith and about e United States Patent Office;
and		Serial No/ filed in the United States Patent Office on;

WHEREAS, Scimed Life Systems (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE"), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Minnesota, and having a usual place of business at One Scimed Place, Maple Grove, Minnesota, 55311-1566, 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 the invention(s) described in said application, together with our entire right, title and interest in and to said application and such Letters Patent as may issue thereon or claim priority under United States law or international convention, including but not limited to non-provisionals, continuations, divisionals, reissues, reexaminations, extensions, and substitutions of said application or such Letters Patent, and any right, title and interest we may have in provisional applications to which said application claims priority; said invention(s), applications 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 not been made; we hereby convey all of our rights arising under or pursuant to any and all United States laws and international agreements, treaties or laws relating to the protection of industrial property by filing any such applications for Letters Patent, including but not limited to any cause(s) of action and damages accruing prior to this assignment. We hereby acknowledge that this assignment, being of our entire right, title and interest in and to said invention(s), 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 Letters Patent to ASSIGNEE in its own name as assignee of our 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(s) to said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, but at its or their expense and charges, including the execution of non-

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provisional, substitution, continuation, divisional, reissue, reexamination, or corresponding foreign or international patent applications;

AND, we hereby further agree to provide statements or testimony in any interference or other proceeding in which said invention(s) or any application or patent directed thereto may be involved;

AND, we hereby authorize ASSIGNEE or its attorneys or agents to insert the correct serial number and filing date into this assignment, if none is indicated on the date of our execution of this assignment;

	request the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark nall be granted upon said application, or applications based sors, assigns, or legal representatives.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF date(s) set forth below.	Inventor: Michael S.H. Chu
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	
County of) ss
Subscribed and sworn to before August, 2005. MAUREEN A. EGAN Notary Public Commonwealth of Massachusetts My Commission Expires Aug 5, 2005	Notary Public My Commission Expires: August 5, 2005
	Inventor:
	Greg R. Furnish
State of	1
County of) ss
•	e me, by the above-named Greg R. Furnish this day of
	Notary Public
	My Commission Expires:

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AND, we hereby authorize and request the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office to issue such Letters Patent as shall be granted upon said application, or applications based thereon, to said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, or legal representatives.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals on the date(s) set forth below.

		Inventor: Michael S.H. Chu
Commonwealth of Massachusetts County of)) ss	
Subscribed and sworn to before, 2003.	re me, by	y the above-named Michael S.H. Chu this day of
		Notary Public
		My Commission Expires:
		Inventor: Greg R. Furnish
State of INDIANA)	
County of CHARIC) ss	•
Subscribed and sworn to before	e me, b	y the above-named Greg R. Furnish this 27.14 day of
APRIL , 2004.		Just M Well:
		Notary Public
		My Commission Expires: AUGUST 13, 2008

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Inventor: William C. Mers Kelly

State of INDIANA)
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Subscribed and sworn to before me, by the above-named William C. Mers Kelly this 215T day of

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