

## PATENT ASSIGNMENT

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Patent Number:	5674240
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## ASSIGNMENT

**WHEREAS, BONUTTI RESEARCH, INC.**, a Delaware corporation, having a place of business at 1303 West Evergreen Avenue, Effingham, IL 52401 (hereafter, together with any successors, legal representatives or assigns thereof, called "Assignor") is the owner of the entire right, title, and interest and assignee of the **U.S. Patents listed on the Exhibit attached hereto**;

**AND WHEREAS, ACACIA RESEARCH GROUP LLC**, a Texas limited liability company having a place of business at 6136 Frisco Square Blvd. Suite 385, Frisco, TX 75034 (hereafter, together with any successors, legal representatives or assigns thereof, called "ASSIGNEE") wants to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to said **U.S. Patents listed on the Exhibit attached hereto**, and all the inventions therein, and Assignor is willing to enter into such assignment.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, effective on June 8, 2012 and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) in hand paid and other good and valuable consideration the receipt of which from ASSIGNEE is hereby acknowledged, Assignor has sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and does hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to ASSIGNEE such Assignor's entire right, title and interest in and to the **U.S. Patents listed on the Exhibit attached hereto**, and all renewals, reissues and re-examinations related thereto, including without limitation, all rights to claim priority on the basis thereof, all rights to sue for past, present and future infringement, including the right to collect and receive any damages, royalties, or settlements for such infringements, all rights to sue for injunctive or other equitable relief, and any and all causes of action relating to any of the inventions or discoveries thereof;

**Assignor** hereby covenants that it has full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that it has not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict with this Assignment;

**Assignor** hereby further covenants and agrees that it will communicate to ASSIGNEE any and all facts known to it respecting said patents, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute and deliver all papers and take any actions that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to any aforementioned patents and patent applications, and make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid ASSIGNEE to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said inventions in all countries.

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PATENT

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June 2012.

BONUTTI RESEARCH, INC.  
(Assignor)

By [Signature]

Name: Peter M. Bonutti, M.D.

Title: Chief Executive Officer

STATE OF Illinois  
COUNTY OF Effingham

On June 1, 2012, before me GINA N. ZERRUSEN, Notary Public, personally appeared PETER M. BONUTTI, MD personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.



I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of Illinois that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct. WITNESS my hand and official seal.

[Signature]  
Signature of Notary

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June 2012.

**BONUTTI RESEARCH, INC.**  
(Assignor)

By *PMB*

Name: Peter M. Bonutti, M.D.

Title: Chief Executive Officer

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*Gina N. Zerrusen*  
Signature of Notary

**EXHIBIT**

**BRI U.S. PATENTS**

US Patent No.	US Appl. No.	Filing Date	Issue Date	Title
5674240	08/467002	6/6/1995	10/7/1997	Expandable cannula
6338730	08/470142	6/6/1995	1/15/2002	Method of using expandable cannula
5573517	08/254368	6/6/1994	11/12/1996	Expandable cannulas
5320611	08/013942	2/4/1993	6/14/1994	Expandable cannula having longitudinal wire and method of use
6613038	09/992209	11/16/2001	9/2/2003	Method of using expandable cannula
6814715	09/992211	11/16/2001	11/9/2004	Expandable cannula
-	10/242205	9/12/2002	-	Expandable cannula
5961499	08/467698	6/6/1995	10/5/1999	Expandable cannula
7328055	10/855555	5/27/2004	2/5/2008	Patient support apparatus
6882877	10/666101	9/18/2003	4/109/2005	Magnetic resonance imaging system and method
6697659	09/118665	7/17/1998	2/24/2004	Method of imaging a joint in a body of patient
6671537	08/455074	5/31/1995	12/30/2003	Apparatus and method for use in medical imaging
-	12/026500	2/5/2008	-	Patient support apparatus
5577503	08/221848	4/1/1994	11/26/1996	Apparatus and method for use in medical imaging
-	08/770652	12/19/1998	-	N/A
6684095	09/295550	4/21/1999	1/27/2004	Method of imaging a knee joint in a patient's leg with an imaging unit
5542423	08/237598	5/3/1994	8/6/1996	Indexing assembly for joint imaging
5562094	08/223468	4/5/1994	10/8/1996	Sequential imaging apparatus
-	09/684823	10/10/2000	-	N/A
-	11/930332	10/31/2007	-	Expandable cannula
-	08/472327	6/7/1995	-	N/A
5640958	08/454694	5/31/1995	6/24/1997	Method of imaging a patient's cervical spine
5743264	08/456817	6/1/1995	4/28/1998	Method of imaging an ankle of a patient
6044289	08/711409	9/5/1996	3/28/2000	Apparatus and method for controlling bending of a joint of a patient during imaging
6141579	09/394575	9/10/1999	10/31/2000	Sequential imaging apparatus
5349956	07/802358	12/4/1991	9/27/1994	Apparatus and method for use in medical imaging
5329924	07/927341	8/10/1992	7/109/1994	Sequential imaging apparatus
5343580	07/950600	9/24/1992	9/6/1994	Indexing assembly for shoulder imaging
5514143	07/799560	11/27/1991	5/7/1996	Apparatus and method for use during surgery