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EXHIBIT A

Assignment of Intellectual Property Rights

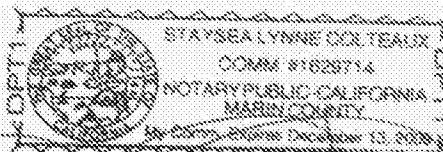
In consideration of the mutual obligations set forth in that Intellectual Property and Development Agreement dated March __, 2006 by and between NuVasive, Inc. ("NuVasive") and Josef Gorek, M.D. ("Dr. Gorek"), the adequacy and receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Dr. Gorek, who owns the entire right, title, and interest in and to certain intellectual property, including US Patent No. 6,638,281 (entitled "Gravity Dependent Pedicle Screw Tap Hole Guide") and US Patent Applications No. 11/034,594, 10/694,457, 10/452,394, 10/103,079 (each entitled "Gravity Dependent Pedicle Screw Tap Hole Guide") (collectively "Patent Rights"), and know-how and any specifications, trade secrets, test and/or regulatory test data, prototypes involving the systems described in the Patent Applications, and any and all improvements thereto ("Intellectual Property Rights"), hereby sells and assigns to NuVasive the entire right, title and interest in and to the Intellectual Property Rights and any and all patent future applications based upon the Intellectual Property Rights, including but not limited to all related PCT and/or national applications (foreign and domestic), continuation applications, continuations-in-part applications, divisional applications, and applications upon which the Intellectual Property Rights claim priority, to be held and enjoyed by NuVasive, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Dr. Gorek had this assignment and sale not been made.

In testimony whereof, I, Dr. Josef Gorek, sign this Assignment of Intellectual Property Rights this

24 day of APRIL, 2006.

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