ABBOTT LABORATORIES; and ABBOTT MOLECULAR INC.

Defendants.

# **COMPLAINT**

Plaintiff Enzo Life Sciences, Inc. ("Enzo"), for its Complaint against Defendants Abbott Laboratories ("Abbott Labs") and Abbott Molecular Inc. ("Abbott Molecular") (collectively "Abbott"), hereby alleges as follows:

### **PARTIES**

- 1. Plaintiff Enzo is a New York corporation with its principal place of business at 10 Executive Boulevard, Farmingdale, NY 11735.
- 2. Defendant Abbott Labs is an Illinois corporation with its principal place of business at 100 Abbott Park Road, Abbott Park, Illinois 60064.
- 3. Defendant Abbott Molecular is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business at 1300 E. Touhy Avenue, Des Plaines, IL 60018. Abbott Molecular is a wholly owned subsidiary of Abbott Labs.

### **NATURE OF THE ACTION**

4. This is a civil action for infringement of United States Patent No. 6,992,180 ("the '180 Patent") under the Patent Laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq*.



Abbott has committed, aided, abetted, contributed to, and/or participated in the commission of patent infringement in this judicial district and elsewhere that led to foreseeable harm and injury to Enzo. Moreover, Abbott Molecular is a Delaware corporation which, having availed itself of Delaware's corporate laws, is subject to personal jurisdiction in Delaware.

- 7. This Court also has personal jurisdiction over Abbott because, among other things, Abbott has established minimum contacts within the forum such that the exercise of jurisdiction over Abbott will not offend traditional notions of fair play and substantial justice. Moreover, Abbott has placed products that practice the claimed inventions of the '180 Patent into the stream of commerce with the reasonable expectation and/or knowledge that purchasers and users of such products were located within this District. Abbott has sold, advertised, marketed, and distributed products in this District that practice the claimed inventions of the '180 Patent.
  - 8. Venue is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391 and 1400(b).

## **The Patent-In-Suit**

- 9. United States Patent No. 6,992,180, entitled "Oligo- Or Polynucleotides Comprising Phosphate-Moiety Labeled Nucleotides," was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on January 31, 2006. A copy of the '180 Patent is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 10. Enzo is the assignee of the '180 Patent and has the right to sue and recover damages for any current or past infringement of the '180 Patent.

# **COUNT I**

## Infringement Of The '180 Patent

11. Paragraphs 1 through 10 are incorporated by reference as if fully stated herein.



involving TaqMan<sup>®</sup> probes, for example and without limitation, RealTime HBV assays.

- 13. Enzo has been and continues to be damaged by Abbott's infringement of the '180 Patent.
- 14. Abbott's conduct in infringing the '180 Patent renders this case exceptional within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 285.

# PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Enzo respectfully requests that this Court enter judgment against Abbott as follows:

- A. That Abbott has infringed the '180 Patent;
- B. That Enzo be awarded damages adequate to compensate it for Abbott's past infringement and any continuing or future infringement up until the date such judgment is entered, including interest, costs, and disbursements as justified under 35 U.S.C. § 284 and, if necessary to adequately compensate Enzo for Abbott's infringement, an accounting;
- C. That this case be declared an exceptional case within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 285;
- D. A preliminary and permanent injunction preventing Abbott, and those in active concert or participation with Abbott, from directly infringing the '180 Patent;
- E. A judgment requiring that, in the event a permanent injunction preventing future acts of infringement is not granted, Enzo be awarded a compulsory ongoing licensing fee; and
- F. That Enzo be awarded such other and further relief at law or equity as this Court deems just and proper.

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