IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS and CARMEL LABORATORIES, LLC,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No. 17-cv-868-CFC-SRF

L'ORÉAL USA, INC.,

Defendant.

PLAINTIFFS/COUNTERCLAIM DEFENDANTS ANSWER AND DEFENSES TO COUNTERCLAIMANT L'OREAL USA, LLC'S COUNTERCLAIMS

Plaintiffs/Counterclaim Defendants University of Massachusetts and Carmel Laboratories,

LLC ("Carmel Labs") (together, "Plaintiffs"), by and through their attorneys of record, submit this

Answer to the Counterclaims of L'Oréal U.S.A., Inc. ("L'Oréal USA"). To the extent not

specifically admitted herein, the Counterclaim allegations are denied.

ANSWER TO COUNTERCLAIMS

1. Plaintiffs admit that L'Oréal USA seeks a declaration of non-infringement and invalidity

of the `327 and `513 patents. Plaintiffs deny the remaining allegations in this paragraph.

FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

2. The prior paragraphs of Plaintiffs' answer are reincorporated.

3. Admitted that the University of Massachusetts is the assignee and Carmel Labs is the exclusive licensee of United States Patent Number 6,423,327. The other allegations in this paragraph contain legal conclusions to which no response is required.

4. This paragraph contains legal conclusions to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, denied.

5. This paragraph contains legal conclusions to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, Plaintiffs admit there is a controversy concerning L'Oréal USA's infringement of the `327 patent. Plaintiffs deny the remaining allegations in this paragraph.

Plaintiffs admit L'Oréal USA seeks a declaration of non-infringement of the `327 patent.
Plaintiffs deny the remaining allegations in this paragraph.

SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF

7. The prior paragraphs of Plaintiffs' answer are reincorporated.

8. Admitted that the University of Massachusetts is the assignee and Carmel Labs is the exclusive licensee of United States Patent Number 6,423,327. The other allegations in this paragraph contain legal conclusions to which no response is required.

9. This paragraph contains legal conclusions to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, denied.

10. This paragraph contains legal conclusions to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, Plaintiffs admit there is a controversy between the parties concerning the validity of the `327 patent. Plaintiffs deny the remaining allegations in this paragraph.

Plaintiffs admit L'Oréal USA seeks a declaration of invalidity of the `327 patent.
Plaintiffs deny the remaining allegations in this paragraph.

THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF

12. The prior paragraphs of Plaintiffs' answer are reincorporated.

13. Admitted that the University of Massachusetts is the assignee and Carmel Labs is the exclusive licensee of United States Patent Number 6,645,513. The other allegations in this paragraph contain legal conclusions to which no response is required.

14. This paragraph contains legal conclusions to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, denied.

15. This paragraph contains legal conclusions to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, Plaintiffs admit there is a controversy concerning L'Oréal USA's infringement of the `513 patent. Plaintiffs deny the remaining allegations in this paragraph.

Plaintiffs admit L'Oréal USA seeks a declaration of non-infringement of the `513 patent.
Plaintiffs deny the remaining allegations in this paragraph.

FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

17. The prior paragraphs of Plaintiffs' answer are reincorporated.

18. Admitted that the University of Massachusetts is the assignee and Carmel Labs is the exclusive licensee of United States Patent Number 6,645,513. The other allegations in this paragraph contain legal conclusions to which no response is required.

19. This paragraph contains legal conclusions to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, denied.

20. This paragraph contains legal conclusions to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, Plaintiffs admit there is a controversy between the parties concerning the validity of the `513 patent. Plaintiffs deny the remaining allegations in this paragraph.

Plaintiffs admit L'Oréal USA seeks a declaration of invalidity of the `513 patent.
Plaintiffs deny the remaining allegations in this paragraph.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

- A. To the extent a response is required, denied.
- B. To the extent a response is required, denied.
- C. To the extent a response is required, denied.
- D. To the extent a response is required, denied.
- E. To the extent a response is required, denied.
- F. To the extent a response is required, denied.
- G. To the extent a response is required, denied.

AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

L'Oréal USA has failed to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs respectfully request that the Court dismiss L'Oréal USA's counterclaims, grant judgment in Plaintiffs' favor and against L'Oréal USA, award Plaintiffs their costs and attorneys' fees and grant such other relief as the Court deems just and proper.

DATED: July 3, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

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