

United States District Court
For the Northern District of California

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA, on
behalf of itself and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

No. C 05-03740 WHA

v.

ASTRA USA, INC., ASTRA ZENECA
PHARMACEUTICALS LP, EVENTS
PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., BAYER
CORPORATION, BRISTOL-MYERS
SQUIBB COMPANY, PFIZER, INC.,
SCHERING-PLOUGH CORPORATION TAP
PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS, INC.,
ZENECCA, INC., ZLB BEHRING LLC,
SMITHKLINE BEECHAM CORPORATION,
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d/b/a GLAXO SMITHKLINE, WYETH, INC.,
WYETH PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.,

**ORDER REFERRING CASE
TO MAGISTRATE
JUDGE FOR DISCOVERY**

Defendants.

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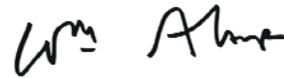
The Court has received the letter from Hogan & Hartson dated February 19, 2009,
concerning a discovery dispute. In light of a long capital prosecution about to begin, the
undersigned has run out of time to supervise discovery in this case and will refer the
February 19 dispute as well as all further discovery disputes to a magistrate judge to be
selected. The magistrate judge is requested to enforce the spirit if not the letter of the
undersigned's discovery guidelines but is free for good cause to deviate. All counsel should
present their discovery disputes in sufficient time so that the magistrate judge may rule on them

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in time to make the discovery cut-off for this case, which is October 30, 2009. Once the magistrate judge is selected, Hogan & Hartson should re-file its motion in accordance with that judge's preferred procedure.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: February 19, 2009.



WILLIAM ALSUP
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE