IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

AMGEN, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

F. HOFFMANN-LA ROCHE Ltd, a Swiss Company, ROCHE DIAGNOSTICS GmbH, a German Company and HOFFMANN-LA ROCHE INC., a New Jersey Corporation,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 05-12237 WGY

U.S. District Judge Young

ROCHE'S MOTION IN LIMINE TO BIND AMGEN INC. TO PRIOR ADMISSIONS RELEVANT TO DOUBLE PATENTING

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Counsel for Defendants F. Hoffmann-La Roche Ltd, Roche Diagnostics GmbH, and Hoffmann-La Roche Inc. Roche respectfully moves this Court for an order binding Amgen Inc. to prior admissions made during Interference No. 102,097 relating to the obviousness of the '868 and '698 patent claims over the claims of the expired '008 patent.

Amgen's current assertions regarding the non-obviousness of the '868 and '698 patent squarely contradict arguments and representations Amgen made to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences in reliance on this Court's decision in *Amgen Inc. v. Chugai Pharm. Co.*, 13 U.S.P.Q.2d 1737 (D. Mass. 1989). For example, Amgen argued to the Board, relying on this Court's decision, that there was "no distinction" between the process claims of the '868 and '698 patents and the '008 patent claims. Moreover, Amgen admitted that "transforming and transfecting a mammalian host cell" with the DNA sequence of the '008 patent and growing under nutrient conditions "necessarily and inherently involves transcription, translation and glycosylation...to provide the *in vivo* biologically active recombinant EPO." Amgen's current position — that the process claims of the '868 and '698 patents are not obvious over the '008 patent claims — directly contradicts Amgen's prior position. Courts, including this Court, have consistently prohibited parties from making such intentionally contradictory assertions through the application of the doctrine of judicial estoppel.

Based on the foregoing, Roche respectfully requests that this Court invoke that doctrine and preclude Amgen from arguing:

- (1) that the Lin process claims of the '868 and '698 patent are not obvious over the expired '008 patent claims;
- (2) that expression of an *in vivo* biologically active recombinant EPO polypeptide confers patentability;
- (3) that isolation of an *in vivo* biologically active recombinant EPO polypeptide confers patentability;
- (4) that transcription confers patentability;

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- (5) that translation confers patentability;
- (6) that glycosylation of the EPO polypeptide confers patentability; and
- (7) that the asserted claims are patentable because production of a biologically active protein was an unexpected result.

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I certify that counsel for the parties have conferred in an attempt to resolve or narrow the

issues presented by this motion and that no agreement could be reached.

Dated: September 10, 2007 Boston, Massachusetts Respectfully submitted,

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