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Via: DHL Express

July 9, 2001

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Johnson & Johnson
One Johnson & Johnson Plaza
New Brunswick, NJ 08933
Attn: Mr. Steven P. Berman

F. Hoffman-La Roche LTD
CH4070
Basel, Switzerland
Attn: Dr. Herbert Fouquet

Dear Gentleman:

I am pleased to enclose a notification on behalf of Genetics Institute, Inc. and F. Hoffman-La Roche Ltd of the exercise of the option concerning Australia set forth in the Option Agreement dated as of June 1, 2001.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Jeffrey S. Sherman', written over a horizontal line.

Cc: L. Stein
E. Berg
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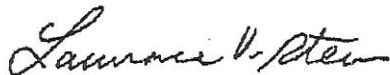
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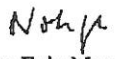
EPO; Settlement Agreement, Australia

Genetics Institute, Inc. and F. Hoffmann-La Roche Ltd herewith declare that they exercise the option of the Settlement Agreement dated as of June 1, 2001, Article II, Section 2.11, terms (i), (ii), (iii), and (iv), concerning Australia.

Genetics Institute, Inc.



F. Hoffmann-La Roche Ltd


Dr. Eric Notegen


Dr. Herbert Fouquet

Date:

Date: June 28, 2001