

ABBOTT LABORATORIES  
Form 8-K  
February 16, 2010

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **February 15, 2010**

**Abbott Laboratories**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Illinois**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**1-2189**  
(Commission File Number)

**36-0698440**  
(IRS Employer Identification  
No.)

**100 Abbott Park Road**  
**Abbott Park, Illinois 60064-6400**

(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

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**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (847) 937-6100**



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reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Registrant's fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2009).

- 2.2 Amendment No.1, dated February 15, 2010, to Stock and Asset Purchase Agreement among Solvay, S.A. and the other Sellers (as defined in the Agreement) and Abbott Laboratories and the other Buyers (as defined in the Agreement), dated as of September 26, 2009.
- 99.1 Press Release dated February 16, 2010.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**ABBOTT LABORATORIES**

Date: February 16, 2010

By:

/s/ Thomas C. Freyman  
Thomas C. Freyman  
*Executive Vice President, Finance and Chief  
Financial Officer*

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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